

A BRILLIANT "INNINGS."

PRAISING THE TRIUMPHS OF THE GLOBE
 CIRCUING NINES

TOASTS AND WORDS OF WIT AND CONGRATULATION TO THE BASEBALL MEN AT DEL. MONICO'S—A GAME WITH NO ERRORS.

trip around the world around exclusive islands, continents and things, he received the thanks of the King and the freedom of the City of London in a little gold snuff-box. A latter-day Anson, a former Minister to St. James's would say, "I see him and I guess him one better"—"Baby Anson," the pride of the great Chicago, the champion of the famous double stack, which has just accomplished the most unique feat in globe-girdling on record. The Admiral was success a smothered at trading glass beads and 10-cent mirrors with guileless savagers for diamond necklaces and strings of pearl, but his successors have thrown such exploits into the shade; and the dinner at Delmonico's last night, with which baseball enthusiasts celebrated the momentous fact, was on a becomingly magnificent scale.

The invitations were as carefully restricted as those to entertainments in honor of effete royalties in Europe. The best speakers were secured, and mystery surrounded the selection of a chairman until the last moment; and it is safe to say that no more cordial good-fellowship or open-handed hospitality has been displayed at any festivity of the kind of recent memory.

Over 250 diners sat down at the eight long tables, which groined under a fragrant burden of rose-banks, potted palms, cactas, and allegorical floral designs. Sugar models of baseball favorites in approved Greco-Roman attitudes were placed side by side with pink-shaded candles and succulent counterfeits of the calf-skin ball. Portrait groups of the two teams, with their trim white shirts, and knickerbockers standing out against backgrounds of classical ruins and the luxuriant tangle of tropical jungles, adorned the walls; and the gilded eases above the shields and flags with which they were interspersed were shown in the position the American bird invariably assumes when he wants to scream. An orchestra, on the draped gallies, played inlullable

The menu was bound with colored ribbon, bearing on its face a picture of the globe affixed in clouds, and containing pictures in tinted ink of various scenes of the tour. The toast card was as follows: "Our Guests," Messrs. Spelling, Anderson and Ward; "The Grand Tour, 1." The Sandwich Islands, "the Hawaiian Minister and Ministers"; "The Grand Tour, 2." Her Majesty's Dominion;" Ernestus Wiman; "The Grand Tour, 3." The Invasion of the Old World by the American Ball Players," Chauncey M. Depew; "The Grand Tour, 4. Welcome Home!" William H. McElroy; "The Influence of Manly Sports," Daniel Douglass; "Baseball in our Colleges," Judge Henry E. Howland; "Back Numbers," J. Seaver Page; "The Baseball Cranks," DeWolf Hopper and Dignity.

SOME OF THOSE PRESENT.
A. G. Mills, of old League fame, presided. At his right sat the honored guest, A. G. Spalding, who originated and conducted the tour, looking well and happy and none the worse for his bronze

ing by Southern sons. Daniel Dougherty and Chauncey M. Depew were neighbors, and profited by the occasion to discuss the effect of climatic changes on oratory. Mark Twain, his bushy hair tinged with gray, revived reminiscences with Dr. F. W. Fitchell of their celebrated trip to the Bermuda Islands. Mayor Chapin, of Brooklyn, talked municipal reform with the president; Consul G. W. Griffin, of Sydney, ex-Judge Howland, and W. H. McElroy exchanged funny stories, and Erasmus Wiman related to Mayor Cleveland, of Jersey City, on the advantages to that thriving town which would come from commercial union with Canada.

The members of the two teams were scattered at the general tables. The following is a partial list of those present:

C. T. Hildreth, R. Hicks, S. G. Goughenau, W. H. Hildreth, James Cushman, John B. Sage, E. A. Keith, H. S. Keith, A. A. Keith, A. T. Allen, W. S. Keith, F. N. White, C. D. White, Mr. Griffin, H. A. Dimes, W. H. Slocum, Jr., F. Tuttle, H. Iverson, Margaret C. Allen.

Acker, E. E.
 Henry, Dr. Charles Knight, John W. Curtis, D. W. L.
 Worden, E. Bement, A. G. Hodges, J. M. Carrington
 T. C. Buck, E. B. Talcott, Fred Adams, W. M. Patterson
 William E. Pearl, William H. Duff, Ernest Grosvenor
 J. C. Kappen, Lo Grummett, H. M. Halsey, T. C. W.
 Thompson, John Wallace, A. W. de Goutchaux
 H. D. Wood, R. A. Peabody, R. K. Shelden
 H. I. Wright, H. G. Wright, George Taylor, C. J. Merrill
 M. J. Lane, Walter S. Eschwege, W. L. Harris, J. H. H.
 Worman, Charles E. Clay, S. C. Austin, Henry Austin
 J. W. Spaulding, Julian W. B. Bagnall
 J. C. McCall, J. C. Bagnall, James A. Hart, New-
 ton McMillan, Harry Palmer, James Ryan, Martin Sul-
 livan, Robert Pettit, Thomas Day, Mark Baldwin, N.
 Fred Pfeiffer, Thomas Burns, J. K. Tenor, De Wolf Hop-
 per, A. C. Anson, J. C. Kennedy, William Lynch, Leigh
 S. Lynch, Leslie Robinson, Jr., William Lynch, Pea-
 body, J. C.

Healy, William Lario, James Pagaris, George Wood, Edward Frederick Carroll, James Pagaris, George Wood, Edward Crane, Edward Hanlon, Digby Bell, John Ward, Dewitt Ray, N. C. Abbott, S. H. Ray, J. H. Vallette, C. H. George, Charles Harrington, Charles S. Scaulan, Robert Halsted, M. J. Sullivan, Henry Chadwick, F. C. Richter, Clay M. Greene, Thomas Lovell, Frederick Mallison, L. G. Fisher, H. A. Wright, C. E. Sargeant, George B. Sennett, L. A. Stuart, Walton Storm, A. H. Rodgers, and Joseph, W. A. Redline.

W. H. Rolston, Joseph J. O'Donnell, W. R. Warren, R. Briggs, E. Faber, A. F. Ferris, Douglas Robinson, Jr., Theodore Roosevelt, E. la Montagne, Jr., R. Spaulding de Garmendia, Elliott Roosevelt, Paul Dana, Arthur T. Sullivan, J. Seaver Page, Judge H. A. Gildersleeve, H. A. Rogers, Jennings S. Cox, H. von Alvensleben, Hermann Gelrichs, Walter Stanton, Dr. H. C. McLean, A. A. Benton, Mr. Weymouth, John A. McCall, A. R. Conkling, N. F. Reed, Joseph P. Abell, I. N. Slesob, P. S. Henderson, C. H. Byrne, John A. Sullivan, the Hon. E. F. O'Connor, H. P. Halsey, John Brice, F. A. Abell, Joseph J. Doyle, B. F. Guileux,

N. A. Doyle, N. Engel, A. W. Fullenweider, I. Bulkley,
N. Engel, Jr., A. D. Isgrig, A. H. Johnson, J. W. Collins,
J. H. Shoemaker, George H. Randall, C. S. Lyman, H.
A. Ashwell, W. H. Smith, B. S. Donehue.

THE PRESIDENT'S WORDS.

When the "nine innings" of the menu card were
over the President arose and said in part:

In spite of the diversity of our sports which we represent, we all pay willing tribute to one particular game, which our guests have succeeded in stamping as National—the great American game of baseball. (Applause.) It not only exercises every muscle of the bodies of the players, but it also helps to develop the lungs of the spectators. (Laughter.) It may be played by anybody—this beautiful, all-satisfying field sport, which, in its present state, is a development of the American genius. (Applause, cries of "No niggers," and laughter.) From the domain of

athletics we have frequently sent representatives abroad, but it has been left to one enterprising man to accomplish a feat which stands without a parallel in the history of American sports. The League of American Mr. Spalding's party was composed of men who are not only star ball-players but also worthy examples of American manhood and patriotism. (Applause.) The party, which included the world's greatest pugilist, thought it was their duty to go to London and devised to display in foreign lands our National, manly sport, has also not tended to promote universal peace and good will. (Applause.) They have made the name of our Nation, and the name of every department of American athletics I bid them all a hearty welcome. (Loud applause.)

Letters of regret were read from Governor Hill, Governor Bulkeley, of Connecticut, and Mayor Grant, who all excused themselves on the ground of pressing official engagements.

Mayor Chapin, of Brooklyn, followed with an informal speech. He said in part:

We citizens of Brooklyn try not to be unduly proud of the honor of having originated the game of base-

ball (laughter), and that was one of the reasons why I accepted your kind invitation to join in your celebration. But the epic nine of intellectual athletes who I supposed would make an after-dinner tour around the world and leave me free to listen have not all put in an appearance. I thought, trustfully enough, that they would temporarily cease being politicians and become men of letters (laughter), and that I might hold my peace. In their absence, I can